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PRESIDENT MAKES PERSONAL APPEAL

WILSON URGES CONGRESSMEN TO REPEAL THE EXEMPTION CLAUSE.

SENATE TO ACT FIRST

Senate Leader Kern Announces That Senate Will Likely Take Action on the Repeal Before the House—House Wants Message.

Washington, Feb. 19.—President Wilson used further pressure on the congressmen today for the repeal of the exemption clause of the Panama canal act.

Following a conference with the president, Senate Leader Kern said it was probable that the senate would act on the repeal before the house.

The house leaders, it was announced today, desired some announcement or message to congress from the president before reversing themselves on the tolls question, so that they can explain to their constituents that some international circumstances had arisen requiring the change.

Some of the congressmen announced that they would change their votes and Underwood, who opposed the repeal, would not organize opposition to the president.

Chairman Henry of the rules committee offered the president help in expediting both the tolls and trust questions.

Reed's Pal Pleads Guilty.

McAlester, Okla., Feb. 18.—W. C. Tidwell, the man who escaped from the penitentiary two years ago in company with China Reed, one of the three convicts killed in the recent prison riot and who, with Reed, was charged with stealing the horses on which they escaped. Tuesday he pleaded guilty in the district court and accepted sentence of one year in prison. He was released last week from the penitentiary and was immediately re-arrested on the horse theft charge.

MINERS WITHDRAW REQUEST.

Will Not Urge Congressional Investigation of Disaster.

Hancock, Mich., Feb. 19.—Attorney Hilton for the Western Federation of Miners today withdrew his request that the congressional committee investigate the Christmas Eve disaster at Calumet. Hilton stated that the miners' counsel had decided that "no good purpose could be subserved by the inquiry."

"WET" TOWN IS SALOONLESS.

No Legal Location for Dramshop Can be Found in Cartersville.

Webb City, Mo., Feb. 18.—Despite the fact that the "wet" faction in Cartersville won in the recent local option election, thus far there appears little chance of placing saloons in the town. In not a single block in the entire city can enough taxpayers be found who will sign a petition asking for a saloon.

In one block where only one signer is required to make up the majority of the taxpayers, one residence, is the only barrier, and this can be removed, it is said, by the payment of \$5,000, the present price set by the owner. In other blocks, there are churches and it is impossible to place a saloon adjacent to these buildings.

A Giveaway.

After he had kissed her and pressed her rosy cheek against his and patted her soft, round chin, she drew back and asked:

"George, do you have yourself?"

"Yes," he replied.

"I thought so," she said. "Your face is the roughest I ever—"

Then she stopped; but it was too late, and he went away with a cold, heavy lump in his breast.—New York World.

Read the Want Ads.

HAYTIAN REBELS DEFEATED.

Forces of Theodore Defeated in Two Battles in Hayti Today.

Cape Haytien, Feb. 19.—Rebel Leader Theodore was defeated in two battles today and General Paul, the rebel commander in chief, was killed.

John D. Shoveling Snow.

Tarrytown, N. Y., Feb. 18.—John D. Rockefeller is shoveling snow on his estate at Pocantico Hills. He said today that shoveling snow is about as good a way of getting exercise as playing golf.

The golf links on the Pocantico estate are covered with a thick blanket of white. This made it hard for Mr. Rockefeller to get enough exercise, so he now shovels snow for an hour every afternoon. He says he will keep at work until the snow has disappeared.

MAY SUBMIT A REPORT FRIDAY

GRAND JURY WILL PROBABLY RETURN SOME INDICTMENTS TOMORROW.

The grand jury now in session may return some indictments tomorrow according to a statement of county Attorney Bleakmore this morning.

The grand jury has been in session since Tuesday and there has been a constant stream of witnesses brought before them. Of course, there is no way of finding out how many bills have been found, up to date, or whom they have been found against, but there is much speculation going on among the boys and several are noticeable by their absence from the city.

The jury will probably be continued into next week.

Former Husband Accused.

McAlester, Okla., Feb. 18.—That Will Jamison, a former husband, was chiefly responsible for the death of Jacob Durant, for whose murder Charles Jagers is now serving a life sentence in the state penitentiary and that Jamison testified against Jagers to save himself, is the substance of an affidavit just sworn to by Maggie Brannon, a former wife of Jamison. The affidavit has been filed with the governor as a part inducement to get parole for Jagers, who is one of the men who aided prison officials during the recent riot.

SIGNS BUNCH OF NEW PLAYERS

SECRETARY GRISHAM HAD A NUMBER OF APPLICANTS YESTERDAY ORDERED TO REPORT.

Secretary Grisham has a number of applicants for a try out on the Ardmore team this spring and to each he furnished a contract with order to report upon call of Manager Gordon who will be in the city before long to take charge of things. The rookies that applied to Grisham Wednesday are mostly youngsters who want a chance to make good, and the big chief will give them the "once over" when he arrives and may select a few for the team. One thing the fans of the city can rest assured upon this year, that the man who applies for a job with Gordon will have to show some class as the chief knows baseball from A to Z and unless the recruit shows class there will be nothing doing on the Ardmore team for him. Gordon is to have a clear field this year and the team will be better managed than ever before. He has a facility of getting good youngsters and developing them into fast men with futures higher up for them if they make good. He has promised Ardmore a first division team and the fans are behind him to a man in his efforts.

Visit Randall's Suit department and see the new garments in Palmer Suits and Coats.

SENATOR T. P. GORE EXONERATED BY JURY

MRS. BOND DENIED DAMAGES—DRAMATIC SCENE FOLLOWS READING OF VERDICT.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Feb. 19.—The attorneys for Senator Gore today announced that the federal department of justice will take immediate action in connection with the alleged conspiracy against Gore in the Bond damage suit, decided in his favor yesterday. Mrs. Bond's attorneys gave notice of appeal.

Gore Verdict.

"We, the jury, empaneled in the case entitled Minnie E. Bond vs. Thomas Pryor Gore, find that the evidence is insufficient upon which to predicate a suit, and that said evidence wholly exonerates the defendant, Thomas Pryor Gore; and we further find that in our opinion, the facts in the case were entirely insufficient upon which to base a suit; and we unanimously state that at the conclusion of the plaintiff's evidence had the defendant at that time announced that he desired to introduce no evidence in his behalf and rested his case, our verdict would have been the same, in that event as the one which was returned by us, to-wit, in favor of the defendant, Thomas Pryor Gore. In witness whereof each of us individually signs this statement."

HENRY CARPENTER, Foreman, democrat.

R. E. BRITTON, democrat.

CLARENCE TROSPER, republican.

J. E. SCHUTTEN, democrat.

REX FERGUSON, democrat.

F. H. MORRIS, democrat.

W. W. GENTRY, republican.

ROBERT ARNESON, republican.

W. P. O'NEAL, republican.

H. G. BARLOW, republican.

G. C. MEKER, republican.

BRUNO BENEDEX, republican.

Such was the verdict signed by each individual jurymen at the close of the most spectacular civil suit in the history of the nation.

Attorney E. J. Giddings, of counsel for Mrs. Bond, stated on Wednesday night that notice of appeal from the jury's verdict would be given when court convened Thursday.

At 5:40 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, eight days from the commencement of trial of the suit and exactly ten minutes after Attorney Morton Rutherford for the plaintiff had closed his argument, the jury walked into court and handed the judge the formal verdict in favor of Senator Thomas Pryor Gore.

The jury immediately retired to the judge's chambers and signed their type-written judgment, the original of which was given to Senator Gore, the second carbon being signed and given to District Judge George W. Clark. Foreman Henry Carpenter stated that immediately after going into the jury room he was named as foreman and spontaneously each jurymen said that he was ready to vote and that the vote was immediately taken and in order to return into the court room within five minutes the jury referred signing the judgment which exonerated Senator Gore.

Time Jury Was Out.

The jury consumed in the jury room exactly two and one-half minutes of time. As the jurymen filed into the jury box, Foreman Carpenter carried in his hands the court's instructions. While taking their seats Clarence Trospier, juror, smiled, and Mrs. Gore with her right hand grasped her husband's left hand and burst out crying.

District Judge Clark was handed the judgment and when he read the words "for the defendant," bedlam broke loose among the crowd, few of which had left the room when the jury retired. Senator Gore and his wife were standing immediately in front of the jury box, where they had been sitting throughout the hearing, and the crowd surged around them.

Applaud Seven Minutes.

Men and women nearest Senator and Mrs. Gore grasped their hands and State Senator Tom McMecham and Mrs. Thomas Kirby, wife of the district court clerk, kissed Mrs. Gore. For seven minutes the applause continued while the Senator and Mrs.

MINE WORKERS STILL IN SESSION

DIVIDED ON SELECTION OF DELEGATES—ABOLISH ARKANSAS SUB-DISTRICT, GRIEVANCES.

Fort Smith, Ark., Feb. 18.—After donating \$5,000 to the copper miners on strike in Michigan and determining to loan the international union \$50,000 to be used in financing the strike of coal miners in Colorado, the United Mine Workers of America, District No. 1, Wednesday split on the methods to be pursued in selecting delegates to the scale conference to be held at Kansas City in April.

It was said by P. R. Stewart, district president, that the men to attend the scale conference for this district which is to be held following the Philadelphia scale conference, must be conversant with mining in all sections of Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas coal regions for on their work will depend the conditions and wages under which a new contract between the union and the Southwestern State Operators' association is to be made.

It has been customary for the district president to appoint wage scale committeemen, but President Stewart in his biennial report, recommended that the convention select the committeemen. The committee on the report of the president recommended the precedent be unchanged and delegates are split. The matter had been made a special order of business to come before the convention at 4 o'clock on Thursday. Sentiment favors leaving the appointment of the committeemen in the president's hands.

Wednesday subdistrict 4 in Arkansas was abolished. This means that the district executive board in the future will consist of but four members, two from Oklahoma, one from Texas and one from Arkansas, subdistrict No. 1 being changed to include all of Arkansas coal section.

But two grievances have been made in the last two years and the new committee of grievances will report on them Thursday. One pertains to the non-payment of wages at a Hartford, Ark., mine, and the other to compensation of \$100 paid by the local union of Bokoshe, Okla., to Lou Stephenson.

AFTER COMMERCIAL BODIES.

Congressman Charges Chambers of Commerce Are to Blame.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 19.—Representative Manahan of Minneapolis charged in the house today that the Chicago, Duluth and Minneapolis chambers of commerce compose a combination in restraint of grain trade, and are responsible for the high prices. He asked for a congressional investigation.

Manahan charged that the present high cost of living could be charged directly to the operation of these three boards, alleging that they control wheat prices by controlling the elevator facilities.

Gore shook hands with the jurymen. When Mrs. Gore crying, grasped the hand of jurymen F. H. Morris, he broke down and sobbed, saying, "Mrs. Gore, every jurymen in there said he wished they could hug you for the loyalty you have shown your husband throughout this ordeal."

With the announcement of the jury's verdict, Mrs. Minnie E. Bond, together with her husband, Julian R. Bond, and her attorneys, vanished from the court room.

Several of the jurymen, as they signed the typewritten verdict and gave their politics as being republican, said that they intended to vote for Senator Gore in the coming election if he secured the nomination.

Go to Hotel

For several minutes Senator and Mrs. Gore lingered in the court room while the jury was signing the typewritten verdict and before it was returned into the court room went down from the third to the first floor, where a conveyance was awaiting them and went at once to the Skirvin hotel.

Sensor Gore immediately after the jury's verdict was read said that he would remain in Oklahoma City until Saturday, as he is scheduled to address the Young Men's democratic club Thursday night, and after leaving here, he and Mrs. Gore would go to Hot Springs, Ark.

SOUTH CALIFORNIA FLOODED.

Railroad Traffic Demoralized—The Streets Ten Feet Deep.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 19.—An eight-inch rainfall flooded southern California today and railroad traffic is demoralized. Some of the streets are under ten feet of water. One person is reported drowned at Santa Barbara.

Several houses have collapsed here. Reports from the Orange growing section say there has been great damage.

Frank Chance, Hero.

Glendora, Cal., Feb. 19.—Frank Chance, manager of the New York American league baseball team, floated ropes to three men swept away by the floods and clinging perilously to trees on his ranch today, saving their lives.

GIRL MURDERED IN CEMETERY

BODY FOUND ON A GRAVE—FORMER SUITOR IS HELD—GIRL'S HEAD CRUSHED.

Aurora, Ill., Feb. 18.—The body of Miss Tracy Hollander, 20 years old, was found on a grave in a cemetery here early today. She had been beaten with a heavy piece of timber which was found near her body. Her head had been crushed.

Anthony Pedros, a rejected suitor, was arrested at his home, two blocks from where the girl's body was found. He denied all connection with the murder. A man's watch, which the police believe to be his, was found near the body.

Pedros met Miss Hollander last night, it is alleged, and upbraided her for not marrying another suitor whom he favored, according to the police, who advanced the theory that, although Pedros abandoned his own suit to Miss Hollander and married another girl several months ago, he still was determined to compel her to marry a man he selected for her.

Pedros' wife declared her husband had passed most of the evening with her at their home and only went down town for a short while. She said he was in the house at 10 o'clock and did not go out again. Both Pedros and his wife declared the police theory is nothing but an attempt to manufacture a case against him. It was about 10:30 o'clock that the murder was committed, it is believed.

REGULAR MEETING COMMERCIAL CLUB

SECRETARY ANXIOUS THAT EVERY MEMBER WILL COME OUT TONIGHT.

Tonight the regular meeting of the Commercial Club will be held at the club rooms in the court house and the secretary is very anxious that every member be present as there are many matters of importance to be disposed of. The secretary says that a great many people are asking him what is being done relative to the road between this city and the oil fields and if they will come to the meeting tonight, he will enlighten them. He says that every one seems to be busy in the oil business, but he hopes that they will take an hour off tonight for the future good of Ardmore and be at the meeting. The question of a road that is passable at all seasons of the year and under all kinds of weather conditions is the greatest one that confronts the people of Ardmore today according to the statement of one of the best business men of the city who has been over the fields and noted what the towns on the Rock Island west of Ardmore are doing in order to capture that trade and he says unless Ardmore wakes up and does something at once, there is a great deal of business going to these points.

This, with many other questions, will be discussed tonight, and you are cordially invited to come out and take part in it.

VILLA FAVORS NEUTRAL ZONE

REBEL GENERAL WILLING TO FIGHT FEDERALS OUTSIDE THE CITY OF TORREON.

SAVE PEOPLE IN CITY

Twenty-Seven Members of Bandit Castillo's Band Captured by Constitutionalists According to Report Received at Hachita.

Juarez, Feb. 19.—General Villa today agreed to establish a neutral zone at Torreon during a telephone conversation with General Scott.

Villa declared he was willing to fight the federals outside the city, if they agreed, leaving the non-combatants safe in their homes.

More Bandits Captured.

Hachita, N. M., Feb. 19.—It is reported here today that the constitutionalists have captured twenty-seven more of bandit Castillo's band.

Marching on Matamoros.

Laredo, Feb. 19.—General Guardielas with one thousand men and heavy stores of ammunition, prepared to leave Nuevo Laredo today and reports from Monterey stated that three separate columns of federals left there today, marching on Matamoros, opposite Brownsville, Texas.

Funeral of G. O. Sullivan.

The funeral of G. O. Sullivan the Rock Island car inspector who was killed in the local yards here Sunday afternoon was conducted this afternoon from the family residence on D street, N. W., by Rev. M. S. Johnson of the First Christian church, with interment in Rose Hill cemetery.

Deceased is survived by a wife and two children besides two sisters who arrived from Tennessee last night and were present at the funeral today. Mr. Sullivan has been a resident of Ardmore for the past six years and well known and universally liked by all who knew him.

Rain Prevents Road Work.

Lawton, Okla., Feb. 18.—Rain has been falling all day throughout southwestern Oklahoma. This was the day set aside by the board of county commissioners as a good roads holiday. Several hundred Lawton citizens were ready with pick and shovel at 7 o'clock this morning to work roads leading into Lawton. The work was deferred until Feb. 24, when several miles will be worked.

Boom for Priestley.

Bartlesville, Okla., Feb. 18.—Washington county progressives will send a large delegation to Oklahoma City to the state convention February 25 to urge that the convention endorse George C. Priestley of Bartlesville as the progressive candidate for governor. George R. McKinley is chairman of the county committee. Col. Priestley, when asked if he would accept the nomination, stated that his business interests demand all his time, but did not say he would decline a nomination.

NO TRACE OF THE KINEO.

Metapan, With Goethals on Board, Finds No Trace of Vessel. New York, Feb. 19.—The steamer Metapan, en route from Panama, which paused yesterday to search for the steamer Kineo in distress off Cape Hatteras, wirelessly today that she had given up the search. Among the passengers on the Metapan is Colonel Goethals, who comes to confer with the president on a permanent organization for the canal zone.

No Answer to Wireless.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 18.—Wireless calls sweeping the Middle Atlantic seaboard today failed to locate the schooner Kineo, with crew of eleven men reported in distress yesterday off Cape Hatteras.